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1. ASSISTANT SECRETARY BRUNTHAVER WILL HEAD DELEGATION TO MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE AND PROPOSES MEETING BE HELD SEPTEMBER 27-28. THIS TIMING WOULD PERMIT BRUNTHAVER TO ATTEND MEETINGS BETWEEN SOVIET OFFICIALS AND US TOBACCO TEAM ON SEPTEMBER 25. ALSO BRUNTHAVER WILL BE USDA PARTICIPANT ON US DELEGATION HEADED BY SECRETARY SHULTZ AT MEETING OF JOINT COMMERCIAL COMMISSION IN MOSCOW OCTOBER 1-2.

2. RE REFTTEL (A), USDA HAS GIVEN CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO QUESTION OF LEVEL OF US CHAIRMAN FOR JOINT COMMITTEE, AND
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HAS DECIDED THAT, BECAUSE OF HIS RESPONSIBILITIES,
ASSISTANT SECRETARY BRUNTHAVER IS MOST APPROPRIATE

OFFICIAL. USDA WOULD BE PLEASED, IF SOVIETS WISH, TO HAVE POLYANSKY CHAIR USSR SIDE OF JOINT COMMITTEE, BUT WILL UNDERSTAND IF SOVIETS DECIDE TO NAME AS CHAIRMAN MINAG OFFICIAL AT LEVEL COMPARABLE TO ASST SEC BRUNTHAVER.

3. COMPOSITION OF REMAINDER OF US DELEGATION (WHICH WILL NUMBER 6-7) UNDER CONSIDERATION AS WELL AS DEVELOPMENT OF US POSITION ON PROCEDURES FOR MEETING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT. PENDING TRANSMITTAL TO EMBASSY OF THIS FURTHER INFORMATION, WOULD WELCOME ANY SUGGESTIONS AND ADVICE EMBASSY MAY HAVE REGARDING CONDUCT OF JOINT MEETING.

4. RE REFTEL (B), PLEASE ADVISE RUNOV USDA GENERAL COUNSEL KNEBEL WILL BE ON US DELEGATION TO MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE AND WOULD PREFER, IF PRACTICABLE, SCHEDULING LECTURE TOUR FIRST PART OF OCTOBER FOLLOWING JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING. ROGERS

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